Stormwater Facility Maintenance Tips

Property owners are responsible for maintaining the stormwater facilities installed on their property to ensure that they are functioning as designed. These maintenance tips can be reviewed along with the completed inspection checklist to schedule service for your stormwater facilities.

Facility Component	Typical Maintenance Tasks
Catch basins	 Clean litter, leaves, and dirt from grate Change filter if torn, remove and clean if dirty Remove sediment buildup from sump if > 60% of capacity (contact vactor truck for cleaning) Repair lids, ladders, grates as needed
Pond sides/ embankments and bottom	 Remove non-native invasive species Remove trash and yard waste and other woody debris from sides and bottom Clean any oil sheen from water with oil absorbent pad or vactor truck Re-seed large bare areas Repair and stabilize eroded slopes
Inlet	 Remove excessive vegetation Remove sediment from pipe
Inlet (swale)	Clear vegetation from swale inlet
Inlet (rock lined ditch)	Clear vegetation from rock lined swale
Rock baffle	Clear vegetation and debris from baffle area
Energy dissipator/ splash pad	 Remove excessive vegetation Replace rock splash pad , if missing or damaged
Outlet	Clear of vegetation and debris
Outfall	Remove excessive vegetation and debris
Spillway	 Remove excessive vegetation and debris Replace rock if missing
Infiltration trench	Remove excessive vegetation and debris
Swale	 Remove trees and excessive vegetation from sides and bottom Remove trash, grass clippings, and yard waste
Fence	Repair or replace fence sections, gate, locks
Access road	Remove excessive vegetation